

instead of returning them when exiting the site.

The Commission has completed its evaluation of the proposed action. Under the proposed system, each individual who is authorized for unescorted entry into protected areas would have the physical characteristics of their hand (hand geometry) registered with their badge number in the access control system. When an individual enters the badge into the card reader and places the hand on the measuring surface, the system would record the individual's hand image. The unique characteristics of the extracted hand image would be compared with the previously stored template to verify authorization for entry. Individuals, including licensee employees and contractors, would be allowed to keep their badges with them when they depart the site.

Based on a Sandia report entitled "A Performance Evaluation of Biometric Identification Devices" (SAND91-0276 UC-906 Unlimited Release, printed June 1991), and on its experience with the current photo-identification system, the licensee stated that the false acceptance rate of the proposed hand geometry system is comparable to that of the current system. The licensee stated that the use of the badges with the hand geometry system would increase the overall level of access control. Since both the badge and hand geometry would be necessary for access into the protected area, the proposed system would provide for a positive verification process. Potential loss of a badge by an individual, as a result of taking the badge off site, would not enable an unauthorized entry into protected areas. The licensee will implement a process for testing the proposed system to ensure continued overall level of performance equivalent to that specified in the regulation. The Physical Security Plan for CPSES will be revised to include implementation and testing of the hand geometry access control system and to allow licensee employees and contractors to take their badges off site.

The access process will continue to be under the observation of security personnel. A numbered picture badge identification system will continue to be used for all individuals who are authorized access to protected areas without escorts. Badges will continue to be displayed by all individuals while inside the protected area.

#### *Environmental Impacts of the Proposed Action*

The Commission has completed its evaluation of the proposed action and

concludes that the change will not increase the probability or consequences of accidents, no changes are being made in the types of any effluent that may be released off site, and there is no significant increase in the allowable individual or cumulative occupational radiation exposure. Accordingly, the Commission concludes that there are no significant radiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

With regard to potential nonradiological impacts, the proposed action involves features located entirely within the restricted area as defined in 10 CFR Part 20. It does not affect nonradiological plant effluents and has no other environmental impact. Accordingly, the Commission concludes that there are no significant nonradiological environmental impacts associated with the proposed action.

#### *Alternatives to the Proposed Action*

Since the Commission has concluded there is no measurable environmental impact associated with the proposed action, any alternatives with equal or greater environmental impact need not be evaluated. As an alternative to the proposed action, the staff considered denial of the proposed action. Denial of the application would result in no change in current environmental impacts, the environmental impacts of the proposed action and the alternative action are similar.

#### *Alternative Use of Resources*

This action does not involve the use of any resources not previously considered in the Final Environmental Statement for the CPSES, Units 1 and 2 dated October 1989.

#### *Agencies and Persons Consulted*

In accordance with its stated policy, on April 7, 1995, the staff consulted with Texas State official, Mr. John Haygood of the Texas Department of Health, Bureau of Radiation control, regarding the environmental impact of the proposed action. The State official had no comments.

#### **Finding of No Significant Impact**

Based upon the environmental assessment, the Commission concludes that the proposed action will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. Accordingly, the Commission has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement for the proposed action.

For further details with respect to the proposed action, see the licensee's letter dated January 16, 1995 (TXX-95012), as supplemented by letters dated March 1

(TXX-95064), and April 3, 1995 (TXX-95089), which are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street, NW., Washington, DC and at the local public document room located at the University of Texas at Arlington Library, Government Publications/Maps, 702 College, P.O. Box 19497, Arlington, TX 76019.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 27th day of April 1995.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Timothy J. Polich,**

*Project Manager, Project Directorate IV-1, Division of Reactor Projects III/IV, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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#### **Use of NUMARC/EPRI Report TR-102348 for Analog-to-Digital Replacements; Issued**

**AGENCY:** Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance.

**SUMMARY:** The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) has issued Generic Letter 95-02 on informing licensees for reactors of the NRC staff's new position on the use of Nuclear Management and Resource Council/Electric Power Research Institute (NUMARC/EPRI) Report TR-102348, "Guideline on Licensing Digital Upgrades," dated December 1993, as acceptable guidance for determining when an analog-to-digital replacement can be performed without prior NRC staff approval under the requirements of § 50.59 of Title 10 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This generic letter is available in the Public Document Rooms under accession number 9504140227. The resolution of public comments received on this generic letter is discussed in a memorandum which is also available in the Public Document Rooms under accession number 9504260141.

**DATES:** The generic letter was issued on April 26, 1995.

**ADDRESSES:** Not applicable.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Loeser at (301) 415-2825.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** None.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 26th day of April, 1995.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

**Boen-Dar Liaw,**

*Acting Director, Division of Project Support, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.*

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**OFFICE OF PERSONNEL  
MANAGEMENT****The National Partnership Council;  
Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Office of Personnel Management.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) announces the next meeting of the National Partnership Council (the Council). Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

**TIME AND PLACE:** The Council will meet May 10, 1995, at 1 p.m., in the OPM Conference Center, Room 1350, Theodore Roosevelt Building, 1900 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20415-0001. The conference center is located on the first floor.

**TYPE OF MEETING:** This meeting will be open to the public. Seating will be available on a first-served basis. Handicapped individuals wishing to attend should contact OPM at the number shown below to obtain appropriate accommodations.

**POINT OF CONTACT:** Douglas K. Walker, National Partnership Council, Executive Secretariat, Office of Personnel Management, Theodore Roosevelt Building, 1900 E Street, NW., Room 5315, Washington, DC 20415-0001, (202) 606-1000.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Council will receive reports on and discuss activities contained in the strategic action plan for 1995 that was adopted at the January 10, 1995, meeting.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** We invite interested persons and organizations to submit written comments or recommendations. Mail or deliver your comments or recommendations to Mr. Douglas K. Walker at the address shown above. Comments should be received by May 5, in order to be considered at the May 10, meeting.

Office of Personnel Management.

**James B. King,**

*Director.*

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE  
COMMISSION****Issuer Delisting; Notice of Application  
To Withdraw From Listing and  
Registration; (Carrington Laboratories,  
Inc., Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value  
and the Related Preferred Share  
Purchase Rights Issued Pursuant to its  
Rights Agreement Dated September  
19, 1991) File No. 1-6395**

April 27, 1995.

The Carrington Laboratories, Inc., ("Company") has filed an application with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), pursuant to Section 12(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") and Rule 12d2-2(d) promulgated thereunder, to withdraw the above specified securities ("Securities") from listing and registration on the American Stock Exchange, Inc. ("Amex").

The reasons alleged in the application for withdrawing the Securities from listing and registration include the following:

According to the Company, its Board of Directors unanimously approved resolutions on February 9, 1995 to withdraw the Securities from listing on the Exchange and, instead, list the Securities on the Nasdaq/NMS. The decision of the Board followed a lengthy study of the matter, and was based upon the belief that listing of the Securities on Nasdaq will be more beneficial to the Company and its stockholders than the present listing on the Exchange because:

(a) The Nasdaq system of multiple, competing market makers will provide the Company with increased visibility within the financial community, thereby encouraging greater investor awareness of the Company's activities;

(b) The Nasdaq system will enable the Company to attract its own group of market makers and expand the capital base available for purchases of the Securities;

(c) The Nasdaq system will stimulate increased demand for the Securities and result in greater liquidity for the Company's shareholders; and

(d) The firm making a market in the Securities on Nasdaq will be more likely to issue research reports on the Company, which will increase the availability of information about the Company and the Securities and enhance the Company's visibility to investors.

Any interested person may, on or before May 18, 1995, submit by letter to the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20549, facts bearing upon whether the application

has been made in accordance with the rules of the Amex and what terms, if any, should be imposed by the Commission for the protection of investors. The Commission, based on the information submitted to it, will issue an order granting the application after the date mentioned above, unless the Commission determines to order a hearing on the matter.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority.

**Jonathan G. Katz,**  
*Secretary.*

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**Equitable Variable Life Insurance  
Company, et al.**

April 26, 1995.

**AGENCY:** Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC" or the "Commission").

**ACTION:** Notice of application for an order under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "1940 Act").

**APPLICANTS:** Equitable Variable Life Insurance Company ("Equitable Variable"), Separate Account FP of Equitable Variable Life Insurance Company (the "Account"), and Equico Securities, Inc. ("Equico").

**RELEVANT 1940 ACT SECTION AND RULE:** Order requested under Section 6(c) of the 1940 Act for exemptions from Section 27(a)(3) thereof and subsections (b)(13)(ii) and (d)(1)(ii)(A) of Rule 6e-3(T) thereunder.

**SUMMARY OF APPLICATION:** Applicants seek an order to permit Equitable Variable to make available an Accounting Benefit Rider ("the Rider") to certain flexible premium variable life insurance policies ("Policies") it currently issues. The Rider permits the waiver of specified percentages of a Policy's contingent deferred sales charge during the early policy years. The Rider is designed to minimize the negative impact to earnings that results under generally accepted accounting principles in connection with the purchase of a Policy.

**FILING DATE:** The application was filed on October 4, 1994, and amended and restated on April 17, 1995.

**HEARING OR NOTIFICATION OF HEARING:** An order granting the application will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the Secretary of the Commission and serving the